



### **Activity 3**

## **Introduction to Bookshare, Electronic Books and Text-to-Speech Tools**

### **✓ . Getting Started with Bookshare**

1. Accounts and Rosters
2. Locating and downloading books – file formats (HTML and DAISY)
3. NIMAC – National Instructional Material Access Center ([nimac.us](http://nimac.us)) and textbooks

### **✓ Creating Assignable Files from a Bookshare Book**

1. Go to [Bookshare.org](http://Bookshare.org) and search for the book “Call of the Wild”
2. Click on HTML (The book will open up in your browser)
3. **Stop!** Let’s review the book in this format
4. Select Chapter 1 text of this book and copy (**Command-C**)
5. Open a new Word Document and paste (**Command-V**)
6. Save this file as COTWild.Chapter 1 (Create a New Folder “Call of the Wild” to place each chapter in)

### **✓ . Review of Text-to-Speech (TTS) Tools and Audio files**

- Mac Speech Tool
- Kurzweil 3000 TTS and DAISY files
- Kurzweil 3000-Creating audio files
- Read Outloud - Bookshare Edition – Free to each student on the roster